BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Investigation into the Power Outage Which Occurred on December 8, 1998 on Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Electric System.

Investigation 98-12-013 (Filed December 17, 1998)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING REQUESTING COMMENTS

The reports on the workshops held during 2000 seem to have reached a consensus that monitoring of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) efforts to improve the reliability of the transmission and distribution system serving San Francisco is needed. PG&E has since provided quarterly reports. Improvement of the reliability of the system serving San Francisco will be an ongoing effort. Therefore, it appears to be appropriate to conclude this investigation with the development of a reporting requirement that will allow the Commission to keep apprised of system maintenance and improvements, and to utilize them in assessing system performance. Such a reporting requirement should not duplicate existing reporting requirements.

THEREFORE, **IT IS RULED** that:

1. Pacific Gas and Electric Company and the parties shall file comments and reply comments in response to this ruling on December 19, 2001, and January 16, 2002, respectively.

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2. The comments shall address reporting requirements, and any other matters relevant to concluding this proceeding. Recommendations regarding reporting requirements should be as specific and detailed as possible regarding what should be reported, how often, and in what format.

Dated November 20, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JEFFREY P. ODONNELL

Jeffrey P. O'Donnell

Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Requesting Comments on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated November 20, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JEANNIE CHANG

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